MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montano called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montano led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Chair Eleanor R. Montano Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos Carl E. Moore

Maxine B. Russell

Others Present

Khanh Nguyen, Board of Supervisors Jim Corbett, Commission Services Twila Kerr, Commission Services

Excused Absence

Frank S. Bacio Vito Cannella John A. Hammargren

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2005 MEETING MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Moore, seconded by Vice Chair Stathatos and unanimously carried, the September 7, 2005 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Montano requested an updated list of the County Court facilities. She discussed a recent news article which reported that inmates of County Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 14, 2005 Page 2

jails are still being held past their release dates due to backlogged paperwork.

TREASURER'S REPORT

None

STAFF REPORT

Jim Corbett, Commission Services, reported that Cheryl Epps, Auditor-Controller's, called to advise that a physical audit is pending and a fiscal audit has been ordered for the Cleo's Home for Retarded Children.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

FACILITY/GROUP INSPECTION REPORTS

St. Anne's Maternity Home - #100-1

Vice Chair Stathatos inspected this facility on August 18th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory** with <u>no areas of concern</u> observed or reported. Vice Chair Stathatos noted that all items on the Auditor-Controller's 12/04 Correction Action Plan have been implemented. Additionally, this facility has an exceptional transitional program for exiting residents and she feels that this program should be used as a Countywide model.

Hollygrove Home - #55-2

Chair Montano, Vice Chair Stathatos, and Commissioner Russell inspected this facility on August 22nd and gave a rating of **Satisfactory.** Areas of concern: bedrooms in cottage #2 were in disarray, however, maid was in the process of cleaning. Vice Chair Stathatos noted that this facility is in the process of phasing out their residential program and will either try to reunite the residents with their families or find foster parents for them.

Hillsides Home for Children/Girls Satellite/North Hill - #54-2

Vice Chair Stathatos visited this facility on August 24th and found no one at home; no inspection was conducted.

Hillsides Home for Children/Girls Satellite/Main Site - #55-1

Vice Chair Stathatos inspected this facility on September 6th and gave a rating of **Excellent** with <u>no areas of concern</u> observed or reported.

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Girls Republic – Probation 2#5

Vice Chair Stathatos visited this facility on August 25th and found that the County no longer houses County residents at this facility.

Arrowhead Emancipation Program/Fair Oaks - #3-2

Vice Chair Stathatos visited this facility on August 29th but was unable to complete her inspection because the interior of the facility was being painted. Vice Chair Stathatos will return to this facility when the painting is completed.

Arrowhead Emancipation Program/Santa Anita - #3-3

Vice Chair Stathatos visited this facility on August 31st and found that this property was sold in 2004 and is now a private residence.

Olive Crest Treatment Center/North Rosemead - #79-3

Vice Chair Stathatos visited this facility on September 1st and found that no one was at home; no inspection was conducted.

Olive Crest Treatment Center/North Rosemead - #79-3

Vice Chair Stathatos inspected this facility on September 8th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory** with <u>no areas of concern</u> observed or reported. Vice Chair Stathatos noted that the bedroom furnishings were marginal. She was advised by facility staff that this facility was leased from the Alhambra Mental Health Hospital and that in mid-September this operation will be moving to a 6 bed residential group home in Cerritos.

Trinity Children Family Services/El Monte - #107-2

Vice Chair Stathatos inspected this facility on September 12th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory** with <u>no areas of concern</u> observed or reported.

C & R/Masada/Prospect - #22-1

Commissioners Bacio and Moore inspected this facility on September 13th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory.** Areas of concern: carpet needs cleaning; smoke detectors in 2nd and 3rd bedrooms are not working; bathroom need cleaning; and individual linen supply is low.

C & R/Masada/Ralston - #22-2

Commissioners Bacio and Moore inspected this facility on September 15th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory.** Area of concern; no computer available for residents' use. Commissioners noted that prescriptions, medications,

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and the Needs and Services Plans are kept at the facility's school and the staff records are maintained at the main administrative office.

San Fernando Valley Clinic/Lahey House - #95-2

Commissioner Russell visited this facility on September 12th and found that the home was sold in August and is now a private home.

T & T Home for Boys - #102-2

Chair Montano visited this facility on September 13th and found no one at home; no inspection was conducted.

Lakewood Sheriff's Station

Chair Montano and Commissioner Hammargren inspected this facility on September 8th and gave a rating of **Satisfactory** with <u>no areas of concern</u> observed or reported. Commissioners were informed that this facility is now seeing more inmates with AIDS. Additionally, deputies would like more custodial aids/trustees.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Montano assigned inspection duties to Commissioners for the following week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

None

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, Chair Montano adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Commission Services